

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for displaying and sharing digital images using an internet access appliance
2 with internet telephony and image capture capability, comprising the steps of:
3 capturing digital images of an item being viewed by a sender;
4 downloading the digital images to the internet access appliance or directly to network
5 storage through the appliance;
6 including the digital images with a first email addressed to a server and sending the
7 first email;
8 parsing the first email at the server and posting the images to a web page where the
9 images are stored;
10 selecting at least one set of individuals for whom targeted images are to be sent, each
11 set including at least one individual;
12 sending a communication to the at least one selected set of individuals to notify of the
13 images posted to the web page; and
14 while viewing the item, using the internet access appliance to establish a telephony
15 connection with said at least one individual who converses with the sender and concurrently
16 reviews the posted images.
- 1 2. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images are accompanied by descriptions,
2 and are included with the first email as attachments.

1 3. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images are posted onto a web page with
2 information imbedded into them, wherein the selected individuals visit the web page to view
3 the images.

1 4. A method, according to claim 3, wherein clicking on the images initiates an internet
2 phone call to the sender.

1 5. A method, according to claim 4, wherein an internet phone conference call is held
2 between the sender and the selected individuals while simultaneously accessing web pages
3 with images.

1 6. A method, according to claim 3, wherein clicking on the images initiates an email
2 letter to the sender.

1 7. A method, according to claim 3, wherein clicking on the images initiates access to the
2 sender's internet web page.

1 8. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images that are of low to medium
2 resolution can be downloaded for viewing across the internet.

1 9. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the images that are of high resolution are
2 stored for making professionally-developed reprints.

10. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the sender also uses the internet access
appliance for conversing with said at least one individual.

11. A method, according to claim 1, wherein the sets of selected individuals comprise
potential purchasers of real estate and wherein the digital images comprise images of real
estate property.

12. A method for displaying and sharing digital images using an internet access appliance
with telephony and image capture capability, comprising the steps of:

posting at least one digital image via a server to a web page where the at least one
image is made available for viewing, the at least one digital image being a digital image of an
item captured by a sender;

selecting at least one individual for whom the at least one image is to be made
accessible for viewing;

notifying the at least one individual of the at least one image being posted to the web
page; and

while viewing at least one image, using the internet access appliance to establish a
telephony connection between said at least one individual and a second individual, where the
at least one individual and the second individual concurrently review the at least one image at
the web page.

1 13. The method of claim 12, further comprising:

2 prior to posting the at least one digital image via the server to a web page,

3 downloading the at least one digital image to the internet access appliance; and

4 sending the at least one digital image to a server.

1 14. The method of claim 13, wherein downloading the at least one digital image to the

2 internet access appliance includes downloading the at least one digital image directly to a

3 network storage arrangement via the internet access appliance.

1 15. The method of claim 12, wherein the internet access appliance has internet telephony

2 capability, wherein establishing a telephony connection between said at least one individual

3 and a second individual includes establishing an internet telephony connection between the at

4 least one individual and the second individual.

1 16. The method of claim 12, further comprising establishing access to the posted at least

2 one digital image to a plurality of individuals, wherein any first one of the plurality of

3 individuals is the selected at least one individual, and wherein any second one of the plurality

4 of individuals is the second individual.

1 17. The method of claim 12, wherein the second individual is the sender.

1 18. An arrangement for displaying and sharing digital images using an internet access
2 appliance with internet telephony and image capture capability, comprising:
3 a means for capturing digital images of an item being viewed by a sender;
4 a means for downloading the digital images to the internet access appliance or
5 directly to network storage through the appliance;
6 a means for including the digital images with a first email addressed to a server and
7 sending the first email;
8 a means for parsing the first email at the server and posting the images to a web page
9 where the images are stored;
10 a means for selecting at least one set of individuals for whom targeted images are to
11 be sent, each set including at least one individual;
12 a means for sending a communication to the at least one selected set of individuals to
13 notify of the images posted to the web page; and
14 a means for, while viewing the item, using the internet access appliance to establish a
15 telephony connection with said at least one individual who converses with the sender and
16 concurrently reviews the posted images.